

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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'OUTCOME BUDGET' REPORT
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a recently published report called 'Outcome Budget' by a non-official advisor of the Planning Commission has highlighted the inadequacy of funds in respect of eight major programmes like Rozgar Guarantee Yojana, Village Health Mission etc. as reported in the Hindi Daily 'Rashtradoot' dated July 20, 2005;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any programme-wise evaluation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) & (b): In pursuance of the directions of the Prime Minister and the commitment made in the Budget Speech of 2005-06 to stress upon the importance of the outcomes of major programmes, Planning Commission, at the instance of Ministry of Finance, has compiled outlays, outcomes identified and target set by Ministries/ Departments for Outcome Budget 2005-06 which is likely to be laid in the Parliament by Ministry of Finance during its current Session. The Outcome Budget is not an assessment of the adequacy of funds for Government programmes.

(c) to (f): The evaluation of selected programmes/schemes under implementation are undertaken regularly by Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of Planning Commission to assess the performance, process of implementation, effectiveness of the delivery systems and impact of programmes as per the requirement of Ministries/Departments of Government of India, and also if considered necessary by the Planning Commission. These reports are available in the public domain.